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SUBJECT: NSDM-217: SALT STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION

1. THE PRESIDENT HAS APPROVED INSTRUCTIONS ON NOTIFICATION, REPLACEMENT AND DISMANTLING FOR THE US COMPONENT OF THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION, AS FOLLOWS:

2. THE US COMMISSIONER SHOULD, AT AN EARLY MEETING OF THE SCC, ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF NOTIFICATION, DISMANTLING AND REPLACEMENT PROCEDURES UNDER ARTICLE III OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT AND ARTICLES VIII AND XIII- E OF THE ABM TREATY. HE SHOULD PROPOSE TO THE SOVIETS THE GENERAL GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THE US SIDE ON DECEMBER 15, 1972; THESE GUIDELINES ARE LISTED IN SECTION I BELOW. HE SHOULD ALSO PROPOSE THE SET OF SPECIFIC PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION II BELOW.

3. I. GENERAL GUIDELINES:

A. DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY FOR EACH SYSTEM, COMPONENT, AND TYPE OF LAUNCHER, BASED UPON THE PERTINENT FEATURES OF EACH.

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B. DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES SHOULD APPLY ONLY TO SYSTEMS DEACTIVATED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE ABM TREATY AND THE INTERIM AGREEMENT.

C. WHERE APPROPRIATE, MORE THAN ONE ACCEPTABLE DESTRU-

CTION AND DISMANTLING PROCEDURE FROM WHICH EACH SIDE MAY CHOOSE SHOULD BE AGREED FOR EACH SYSTEM, COMPONENT, AND TYPE OF LAUNCHER.

D. ANY AGREED REPLACEMENT AND DESTRUCTION OR DISMANTLING PROCEDURES SHOULD INSURE, INTER ALIA:

- (1) THAT VERIFICATION CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH HIGH CONFIDENCE BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS;
- (2) THAT REPLACEMENT UNITS AND THOSE TO BE REPLACED BE IDENTIFIED AND ACCOUNTED FOR THROUGH APPROPRIATE NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES;
- (3) THAT UNREASONABLE DELAYS DO NOT OCCUR;
- (4) THAT REACTIVATION OF UNITS DEACTIVATED AND DISMANTLED WOULD BE DETECTABLE BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS, AND REACTIVATION TIME WOULD NOT BE SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE TIME REQUIRED FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION;
- (5) ACCUMULATION IN A CONSTRUCTION STATUS WOULD NOT BE IN EXCESS OF A REASONABLE AND NORMAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE.

4. II. SPECIFIC DISMANTLING PROCEDURES:

A. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS ABM FACILITIES:

(1) EXCESS ABM LAUNCHERS AT TEST RANGES -

A. ABOVE- GROUND LAUNCHERS WILL BE REMOVED FROM SITES AND LAUNCH PADS WILL BE FRAGMENTED. LAUNCH SILOS SHALL BE MADE UNUSABLE BY REMOVAL OF LAUNCHER RAIL, WIRING AND OTHER HARDWARE AND BY DESTRUCTION OF ABOVE GROUND STRUCTURAL FEATURES AND FRAGMENTATION OF FOUNDATIONS.

B. THE FOREGOING SHALL BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER INITIAL NOTIFICATION. SUCH INITIAL NOTIFICATION SHALL INCLUDE IDENTIFICATION OF THE LAUNCHER TO BE DISMANTLED. NOTIFICATION THAT DISMANTLING HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SHALL BE GIVEN WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION. LAUNCH PAD DEBRIS SHALL BE LEFT EXPOSED, AND DESTROYED SILOS SHALL BE LEFT OPEN FOR SIX ADDITIONAL MONTHS. AFTER THAT TIME, DEBRIS MAY BE REMOVED OR COVERED

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WITH EARTH AND CRATERS MAY BE FILLED WITH EARTH.
(FYI. TEST AND TRAINING LAUNCHERS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF TEST RANGES ARE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR DISMANTLING BECAUSE THEY DO NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY SUPPORT FACILITIES TO GIVE THEM A LAUNCH CAPABILITY. THE US HAS SEVEN LAUNCHERS IN THIS CATEGORY; ONE SOVIET LAUNCHER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED.)

(2) ABM FACILITIES AT MALMSTROM -

(FYI. THERE ARE NO COMPLETED ABM FACILITIES AT MALMSTROM; WORK WAS STOPPED ON MAY 26, 1972. A NUMBER OF LAUNCHER CELLS HAD BEEN PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED AT THE TIME.

SIMILARLY, FOR THE RADAR BUILDINGS, ONLY THE FOUNDATIONS

WERE COMPLETED THOUGH SOME WALL SECTIONS WERE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT THE TIME OF WORK STOPPAGE. ALL MALMSTROM FACILITIES HAVE BEEN LEFT EXPOSED IN THEIR PARTIALLY COMPLETED STATE SINCE WORK STOPPAGE.)

A. METAL REINFORCING RODS ON THE RADAR BUILDINGS WILL BE CUT OFF. LAUNCHER FACILITIES AND THOSE RADAR BUILDINGS FOR WHICH ONLY FOUNDATIONS HAD BEEN COMPLETED WILL BE COVERED WITH EARTH. THOSE RADAR BUILDINGS FOR WHICH WALL CONSTRUCTION HAD COMMENCED WILL BE LEFT UNCOVERED IN THEIR PRESENT UNCOMPLETED STATE. EARTH GRADING OF THE ENTIRE AREA WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS WILL BE REMOVED.

(FYI. THIS OPTION WILL COST \$2-3 MILLION TO IMPLEMENT AND WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS TO ACCOMPLISH.)

B. MALMSTROM DISMANTLING WILL BE INITIATED NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER AGREEMENT IN THE SCC ON THE RELEVANT PROCEDURES. NOTIFICATION THAT IT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WILL BE GIVEN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION.

B. REPLACEMENT OF ICBM AND SLBM LAUNCHERS BY NEW SLBM LAUNCHERS:

(1) NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES -

A. THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOTIFY THE US ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THE DATE ON WHICH CONSTRUCTION IS INITIATED (I. E., THE DATE ON WHICH SSBN ASSEMBLY BEGINS ON THE BUILDING WAYS
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IN AN SSBN CONSTRUCTION HALL) OF THE SSBN CONTAINING THE 741 ST SLBM LAUNCHER. SIMILAR NOTIFICATION WILL BE GIVEN FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT REPLACEMENT SSBN.

B. NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF SEA TRIALS OF THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE, THE PRE-1964 ICBM LAUNCHERS OR OLDER BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINES SUBJECT TO DISMANTLING WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY TYPE, AND THE LOCATION OF THE PLANNED DESTRUCTION ACTION WILL BE IDENTIFIED. DISMANTLING/ DESTRUCTION OF REPLACED LAUNCHERS WILL BE INITIATED NO LATER THAN THE TIME OF THE BEGINNING OF SEA TRIALS OF A REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE.

C. THE NUMBER OF SSBNs WHICH HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED BUT HAVE NOT YET BEGUN SEA TRIALS SHALL NOT EXCEED FOUR.

D. THE US WOULD BE SUBJECT TO IDENTICAL PROCEDURES FOR THE SSBN WITH THE 657 TH SLBM LAUNCHER AND FOR SUBSEQUENT REPLACEMENT SSBNs.

(2) DISPOSAL OF SOFT ICBM LAUNCHERS REPLACED BY SLBM LAUNCHERS -

A. ALL MISSILE- RELATED EQUIPMENT (I. E., MISSILES AND MISSILE COMPONENTS, MISSILE ERECTING AND HANDLING EQUIPMENT,

PROPELLANT HANDLING EQUIPMENT AND LAUNCH CONTROL EQUIPMENT) WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE LAUNCH SITE. ALL

FIXED, MISSILE- RELATED SUPPORT FACILITIES (LAUNCH PADS, MISSILE SERVICING AND STORAGE BUILDINGS/ BUNKERS, PROPELLANT STORAGE TANKS/ BUNKERS, WARHEAD STORAGE AND SERVICING BUILDINGS/ BUNKERS, AND LAUNCH CONTROL BUNKERS) LOCATED AT THE SITE OR WITHIN THREE KILOMETERS OF THE SITE WILL BE MADE UNUSABLE.// LAUNCH PADS AND BUNKERS SHOULD BE FRAGMENTED; BUILDINGS SHOULD BE DISASSEMBLED OR FRAGMENTED,

// A 3 KM RADIUS WOULD ENCOMPASS ALL SUPPORT FACILITIES IMMEDIATELY ASSOCIATED WITH SS-7/8 SOFT AND HARD SITES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TWO OUT OF A TOTAL OF 87 SITES. WITH THE SITES AND THEIR SUPPORT FACILITIES GONE, THE GENERAL GUIDELINE CONCERNING REACTIVATION TIME WOULD BE SATISFIED.

B. THE FOREGOING WILL BE INITIATED NO LATER THAN THE
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BEGINNING OF SEA TRIALS OF THE REPLACEMENT SU3 MARINE, AND WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN TWO MONTHS AFTER THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE HAS BEGUN SEA TRIALS. NOTIFICATION THAT IT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WILL BE GIVEN WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION. LAUNCH PAD AND BUNKER DEBRIS AND THE FOUNDATIONS OF BUILDINGS WILL BE LEFT EXPOSED FOR SIX ADDITIONAL MONTHS AND MAY THEN BE REMOVED OR COVERED WITH EARTH.

(3) DISPOSAL OF ICBM SILO LAUNCHERS REPLACED BY SLBM LAUNCHERS -

A. SILO DOORS, SILO DOOR RAILS, EXHAUST GAS DUCTING, AND SILO LINERS/ LAUNCH TUBES WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE AND SILO HEADWORKS WILL BE REMOVED OR FRAGMENTED. THE PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL OF MISSILE- RELATED EQUIPMENT FROM THE SITE AND FOR DISASSEMBLY OR FRAGMENTATION OF FIXED, MISSILE- RELATED SUPPORT FACILITIES LOCATED AT THE SITE OR WITHIN THREE KILOMETERS OF THE SITE, DESCRIBED IN 2 ABOVE, SHALL ALSO APPLY.

B. THE FOREGOING WILL BE INITIATED NO LATER THAN THE BEGINNING OF SEA TRIALS OF THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE, AND WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN TWO MONTHS AFTER THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE HAS BEGUN SEA TRIALS. NOTIFICATION THAT IT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WILL BE GIVEN WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION. THE RESULTING EXCAVATION WILL BE LEFT OPEN FOR SIX ADDITIONAL MONTHS AND MAY THEN BE FILLED WITH EARTH.

(4) DISPOSAL OF SLBM SUBMARINES AND LAUNCHERS REPLACED BY NEW SLBM SUBMARINES AND LAUNCHERS -

A. THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES SHOULD BE PROPOSED AS ACCEPTABLE PROCEDURES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SLBM SUBMARINES AND LAUNCHERS.

1. SINKING IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS OF AT LEAST

2000 METERS DEPTH AT A PREDESIGNATED TIME AND PLACE BEFORE THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE COMPLETES SEA TRIALS. NOTIFICATION OF SINKING SHOULD BE GIVEN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION.

2. SCRAPPING THE SUBMARINE AND ITS LAUNCHERS IN THE OPEN IN PREDESIGNATED SHIPYARDS AT A PREDESIGNATED TIME. SCRAPPING SHOULD INVOLVE EXTENSIVE DISASSEMBLY, AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE BEGINS SEA TRIALS. NOTIFICATION THAT THE ACTION HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SHOULD BE GIVEN WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION.

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3. REMOVAL OF THE SUBMARINE'S MISSILE SECTION IN THE OPEN IN PREDESIGNATED SHIPYARDS AT A PREDESIGNATED TIME. REMOVAL SHOULD BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE BEGINS SEA TRIALS. NOTIFICATION THAT THE ACTION HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SHOULD BE GIVEN WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER COMPLETION.

B. (FYI. A FOURTH PROCEDURE FOR THE DISPOSAL OF REPLACED SLBM SUBMARINES WHICH IS TO ALLOW CONVERSION OF SUCH SUBMARINES TO AN SLCM CONFIGURATION MAY BE CONSIDERED SUBSEQUENTLY.)

C. IT SHOULD ALSO BE STATED TO THE SOVIETS THAT THERE IS ANOTHER ACTION WHICH WOULD CONSTITUTE AN APPROPRIATE BASIS FOR THE BUILDING OF A REPLACEMENT SSBN; NAMELY, TO REPLACE A SUBMARINE ACCIDENTALLY LOST AT SEA OR DISABLED BEYOND REPAIR. IF CONSTRUCTION OF A REPLACED SUBMARINE IS INTENDED, CERTIFICATION OF THE LOSS OR DISABLEMENT MUST BE MADE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE OTHER SIDE. NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO BUILD A REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE SHOULD BE GIVEN ONE MONTH PRIOR TO START OF ITS CONSTRUCTION. THE REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE SHOULD NOT HAVE A NUMBER OF LAUNCHER TUBES EXCEEDING THOSE LOST OR DISABLED. RUSH

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